1990 Jun 18 17:12:13
flp2_Sc9006_lis
Sh9006..
Revision: 900618.1708_PDT..
Words: 4828..
Organization: SLIX (Sinclair Information Exchange)..
Telecom-Info(4): ..
1. SLIX 408-253-3175 (Voice)..
2. MFSBBS_408-253-2295..
3. UUCP: mips!svcs! (3):..
3.1 !slix (Bill Miller)..
3.2 !wahl (Mark Wahl)..
3.3 !steve (Steve Nichols)..
4. Internet: tswenson@dgis.dtic.dla.mil (Tim Swenson)..
File type: Contacts..
Filename: Sc9006 (Scf90c32)..
Margins(4): Left: 2;; Indent: -1;; Right: 32;; & Justify: Left..
..
Subject: SLIX contacts and newsletter exchanges for June, 1990 (18):...

18..
Sc90618b_Swoger_BN..
Note to: Bob Swoger..
Bob:..
The idea of publishing the names and addresses of newsletters received is a good one. Hope you start soon!..
Can we exchange newsletters?..
On disk?..
The front page of the attached Sinclink lists the media we can read and write. Which media can you read and write?..
Glad to see your newsletter is available on a BBS..
SincLink is available on MFSBBS_408-253-2295..
To save ourselves long distance charges, do any of the folks in your group have access to (4): Usenet, UUNET, UUCP, or Internet. If so, what are their addresses?..
Hope to hear from you soon..
...

17..
Sc90618a_Trier_CL..
Letter from:..
A: Charles H. Trier_Tel.:_..
-- E13812- 9th Ave. ..
-- Spokane;; WA_99216-0613..
..
"June 15, 1990..
Dear Bill,..
Computer Shopper had your group listed. June issue carried a review of Z88.
. . . ..
Sincerely yours,..
Charles H. Trier"..
..
Charles:..
Thanks for your interest!..
By now, you may have found Sharp's 804-730-9697 Z88 ad on page 437 of the June Computer Shopper..
Sharp's is a long time US Z88 dealer and can probably answer most of your questions..
Quite a few people in our group have Z88s and like them, but we don't personally have one so we can't help much on your Z88 questions..
We have also heard the rumor about Sir Clive's Cambridge heard anything recently..
We suspect Clive announced his machine in response to the announcement of the Psion_203-274-7521 "Mobile Computer". You may want to check with Psion about it..
Clive sold the "Sinclair" name to Amstrad, so he can't use it anymore..
Hope this helps. If none of these leads work out, check back with us, we may have more information later..
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16..
Sm90617a_TSCPUG_8 Meeting..
Attendees (8): Bill Miller, Don Moser, Mark Wahl, Bob Orrfelt, George Mockridge, Walt Johnson, & Norm Lehfeldt..
Topics (#):..
1. 5.25in 80track Mitsubishi 4853 floppy drives from Halted_408-732-1573..
2. Bill brought (2):..
2.1 Surplus items in the SLIX library..
2.2 Exchange newsletters received during May and June..
3. Bill also reported (4):..
3.1 No GUTSCM/SV meetings at the Cupertino Library after July..
3.2 Catalogs mailed to the group will be available for viewing at Bill's home. He will no longer routinely bring them to the meetings. Anyone can borrow them and take them home if they will index them..
3.3 Need Z88/ Mac info. Walt suggested John Hancock_415-574-6287..
3.4 Andy recommends "Fun Golf" from the SLIX library. Walt also recommends it..
4. Bob donated to the SLIX library (3):..
4.1 A schematic and printed circuit board assembly drawing (2pages) for the "Delos Electronics Corp." Telephone Handsets that Walt has been getting when the hospital throws them away..
The assembly drawing includes a wiring diagram for hooking two of the handsets together using 2 9V batteries and a 1uf capacitor..
4.2 A handset bare PC board for use in SLIX "Sinclair/ Autocad/ Pcad/ Postscript/ HP Plotter file" interfacing project..
4.3 "Timex Sinclair 2040 Reference Manual";; By: Bob Orrfelt;; 1st Printing;; May 1990: 5 copies;; 48pages:..
Contents:..
Section I;; Introduction..
Section II;; Operation..
Section III;; Olivetti..
Section IV;; Design Data..
Section V;; Microprocessor..
Section VI;; ULA2004A, UCN4401, Schematic..
5. Mark Wahl contributed to the SLIX Library:..
Announcement (4pages):..
Subject: UKUUG Technical Conference..
19900709-13 London..
UKUUGTC Tel.: +44-763-73039, Fax: +44-763-73255, Net: ukuug-conf@ukc.ac.uk ..
1. Ken Thompson..
2. Dennis Ritchie..
3. Brian Kernighan..
4. Andy Tanenbaum..
Topics(3):..
1. "Plan 9" UNIX successor..
2. C and C++..
3. TCP/IP..
..
6. George Mockridge brought the TIMELINEZ exchange newsletters (3):..
6.1 QZX..
c/o Alex Burr_Tel.:_K5XY..
--- Publisher..
--- 2025 O'Donnell Drive..
--- Las Cruces;; NM_88001..
Contents:..
A: T&C Services (TS Products)..
-- T&C_716-834-1716..
-- 20 Liberty Terrace..
-- Buffalo;; NY_14215..
..
For Sale: TS1000s, 2068, programs, interfaces, etc.;; SASE to:..
A: Leslie Varnicle_Tel.:_..
-- Box 821..
-- Trinadad;; CO_81082-0821..
..
6.2 Nite-Times News..
Chicago Area Timex Users Group Newsletter, Jan/Feb 1990, 16pages..
c/o Bob Swoger_708-576-8068..
--- Vice President, Newsletter, & BBS..
--- 613 Parkside Circle..
--- Streamwood;; IL_60107..
Other contacts:..
Butch Weinberg_312-373-2470..
--- President..
John Donaldson_708-232-6147..
--- Secretary..
Al Feng_708-971-0495..
--- Treasurer..
--- 15 Wake Robin Ct. ..
--- Woodridge;; IL_60517..
..
Contents:..
H: TS2068 Head Stepping Rate Fix For LKDOS..
H: QL Directory to Printer SuperBASIC program listing..
For Sale: Timex 1500, printer, and software on cassette;; Larry Moore_216-323-5529, before 5, 216-365-4215, after 5..
..
6.3 SEATUG NL..
Seattle Timex User Group Newsletter, Month? Year?, ?pages..
c/o Chuck Kereluck_Tel.:_..
--- Newsletter Exchange..
--- 9013 32nd Ave. N.E. ..
--- Seattle;; WA_98115..
Other contacts:..
A: Derryck Turner_Tel.:_..
-- Newsletter Submissions..
-- 10909 N.E. 45th St. ..
-- Kirkland;; WA_98033..
..
A: Robert Cazares_BBS_206-789-3275, Mid-7am PDT..
-- 118 N.W. 84th St. ..
-- Seattle;; WA_98117-3044..
..
TS User Group address change card:..
New address:..
Atlanta Timex Sinclair Users..
c/o Name?_Tel.:_..
--- Position?..
--- Atlanta;; GA_30308..
Old address: 1049 N. Carter Rd.;; Decatur;; GA_30030..
..
7. Walt showed a video recording taken from channel 4 (KRON) on about 900612:..
H: Invention Reads Books For Blind;; Inventor: Jim Fruchterman, Arkenstone Inventor;; Of: Sunnyvale, CA..
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15..
Sm90616a.1000_TSCM_SIG/TCW_# Meeting..
Topics (#):..
1. Carl Linden suggests investigating moving the meeting place to the new JDR classroom..
2. Carl promises to bring his 286-12mhz 4mb RAM machine for demos when we need it if someone will promise to bring a VGA monitor..
Herman Griffin promises to bring a VGA monitor..
3. Bill Miller offered the agenda topics (8):..
3.1 "regex" and passed around the "regex" source code and asked if anyone was interested in sharing information on applications of the "regular expressions" or similar routines. It was suggested by the group that the following editors use "regex" or similar routines (8):..
3.1.1 ED..
3.1.2 Vedit..
3.1.3 EX..
3.1.4 VI..
3.1.5 EMACS..
3.1.6 SPFPC?..
3.1.7 DISKIT?..
3.1.8 APL?..
3.2 IBM RISC System 6000 report from SVNet. There was no passaround, perhaps because the AT&T folks (where SVNet meets) didn't offer to photo copy IBM's presentation overheads for handouts. Or perhaps because the IBM folks were unprepared. Or maybe the information was confidential?!..
3.3 C Compiler source code for MSDOS, similar to, or the same as GNU C . Does anyone (3): use it, have it, or know where to get it?..
3.4 Z88/Macintosh users? Howard Lebowitz said that while he had not used the Z88/Mac link, he had used the "Z88/ MSDOS link" and it was a considerable improvement over the Z88's built in communications capability..
3.5 Windows 3.0/ Minix comparison. Carl promised to try to do one if he can get Minix to run. He got Herman's copy of Minix from Mark Wahl at the meeting..
3.6 "Backward chaining rule compilers"..
Fred Waters said he had heard of them and they were used in artificial intelligence..
Howard said "Prolog" was an example, although it is an interpreter, not a compiler..

comp.sources.prolog for information..
7.7 "Research yields fast-retrieval grid file database" article from: "The Sun Observer" June 1990 Page 38. From: Mark Wahl..
Gridfile replaces "File Inversion". Windows: invented in the last century to process US census (1890?) data..
Ref.: For more about Gridfile:..
A: Dr. Hans Winterberger Tel.: 41-1-254-7436, winterberger@inf.ethz.ch ..
-- Institute for Scientific Computing..
-- ETH Centrum..
-- 8092 Zurich..
-- Switzerland..
String match algorithms mentioned (2):..
7.7.1 Boyer- Moore..
7.7.2 Aho- Corasik..
7.8 Other Sun Observer Articles (3):..
7.8.1 "scant and O's three 'levels' of input routines"..
7.8.2 "GNU C and C++ is C++ look alike" for the Sun? Page 30..
...

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Sc90615a Rampolla_JL..
Letter from: Joseph Rampolla Sc900604..
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Dear Mr. Miller,
..
I am most greatful that you have included my questions in your publications, and also, many thanks for the complimentary issue of Sinclink. I wrote to you and the other five groups listed in the June issue of Computer Shopper, and I asked everyone the same questions. I have just received the reply from Mr. Lambert, and he has answered my questions, however the news is not as I expected. To put it in a nutshell, I am pretty much stuck where I am right now. It seems that the PC8300 is a poor relation to the Timex and there isnt much reason to stick with it. Both you and mr. Lambert have given my letter such a personal and involved reply, I do relieve T/S people are the greatest. (You may have a convert.) But, as I have written to Mr. Lambert, I doubt that I can switch gears so easily. I have developed a rapport with my mis-fit computer!..
..
Mr. Lambert also informed me that RMG has the paper for the thermal printer. 2 rolls for $6. + $4 p&h. I checked with Radio Shack, as you suggested and they have paper for a bit more, $5.49 for 2 rolls. It is good to know that I can run ovr there in a pinch, (thanks for the tip)..
..
I'll keep you informed about my decisions. Thanks for the help. Best Wishes!..
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Sincerely,..
Joseph P. Rampolla"..
Joseph:..
Thanks for the kind words!..
Also, thanks for the info about TS2040 paper price and availability from RMG 503-655-7484. We have an RMG catalog in our database, but until we get our "Find" routine working it is pretty much "UnFindable"..
To find more information about your PC8300, we would like to encourage you to try to contact Fred Warhbaur, perhaps thru Bill Harmer of the Ontario, Canada TS Users Group if the Vancouver contact doesn't work out..
We seem to remember that Fred did a very thorough investigation into the PC8300, which you and other PC8300 users may find very valuable if we can add it to our database..
As you may have guessed by reading the SLIX/ Sinclink files, we are working on a project to allow computers such as the PC8300 to access very large amounts of information by networking them to a "File Server"..
Hope we can continue to exchange information..
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13..
Sc90614a.1234_Johnson_DC..
Call from:..
A: Duke Johnson 415-322-9197, home..
-- 842 Boyce Ave. ..
-- Palo Alto;; CA_94301..
..
Duke called to find information about a 788 working with a Macintosh, and the possibility of finding such information at the Saturday morning Stanford meeting. He would also like to find a 788 dealer in the area..
We told Duke that the Stanford meeting was oriented towards MSDOS, but there was one attendee, Howard Lebowitz, who used a 788 with an MSDOS machine. We suggested he call back a few days later when we had had a chance to find the information in our database..
We also suggested the Psion "Mobile Computer" line for use with the Macintosh..
Information we were able to find (2):..
1. 788 dealers (4):..
1.1 MicroWorld 415-845-2000..
1.2 Technology To Go;; c/o Ralph Williams 408-629-2345, probably no longer a dealer..
1.3 Andy Hradesky 408-270-9730..
2. 788/ Mac Users (2):..
2.1 John Hancock Tel.:_..
2.2 "Sc90???" files on MFSBBS 408-253-2295..
3. Psion dealers (2):..
3.1 PCT 408-395-6600..
3.2 XEC 813-531-1422..
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12..
Sm90613c SVNet 41 Meeting..
Topic: IBM RISC System 6000;; By (2):..
1. Hardware: Bill Watt Tel.:_..
4 Petabytes (2 to the 52) system address space (segmented!!!!)..
2. Software: John Vanderwirth Tel.:_..
...

11..
Sm90613b_ln905_12-- LIST NL..
Long Island Sinclair Timex Group Newsletter, May 1990, 12pages..
c/o Harvey Rait 516-791-6247..
--- Pres. & Contact..
--- 5 Peri Lane..
--- Valley Stream;; NY_11581..
Ref.: Sc900524..
Other Contact:..
LISTings..
c/o Mr. Frederic Stern Tel.:_ ..
--- 214 Roberts St. ..
--- Holbrook;; NY_11741..
..
Contents:..
..
H: TS1000 Q-Save needed. Fred Stern 516-737-0963..
..
H: TS1000 RAMpacks needed..
A: D.K. Stoichoff Tel.:_ ..
-- 605 Montgomery..
-- Laurel;; MD_20707..
..
H: Mastering Machine Code On Your ZX-81;; By: Toni Baker needed..
A: Donald R. Lamen Tel.:_ ..
-- RD 3 - Box 3404..
-- Windsor;; NY_13865..
..
H: ZX81 high res graphics help needed..
A: Robert F. Cronin Jr Tel.:_ ..
-- RD 2 Box 223..
-- East Chatham;; NY_12060..
..
H: TS2068 MIDI pen pals wanted..
A: Willie Roldan Tel.:_ ..
-- 1957 Bronxdale Ave., #D41..
-- Bronx;; NY_10462..
..
LIST Questionairs (3):..
1. Marinus W. Heuseveldt Tel.: ..
2. QL, TS2068, & PCAT User:..
A: Robert L. Howard Tel.: WA6DLI..
-- 750 North Valeton Ave. ..
-- West Covina;; CA_91790..
3. Don Lambert..
..
H: The CD For The Spectrum;; By: John Pazmino..
CodeMasters CD kit from:..
A: CodeMasters Tel.:_..
-- POB 6..
-- Southam;; Warwickshire CV33-0SH..
-- England..
..
H: Larken disk drive loader: $5pp, 5.25in disk..
A: Tom Skapinski Tel.:_..
-- 7 Atkinson La. ..
-- Coram;; NY_11727..
..
H: TS2068 Dutch Parcheesi-Like Board Game Listing;; By: Cedric R. Bastiaans..
...

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Sm90613a Swenson TM..
Meeting between (3): Bill Miller, Tim Swenson, & Steve Nichols..
Topics(8):..
1. The SLIX indexing project..
2. "Perl" Newsgroup on Usenet..
3. Limitations of computers
3.1 QL (Bill Miller)..
3.2 C64/128 (Steve Nichols)..
3.3 Sun 3/280 (Tim Swenson)..
4. Magazine Indexing system..
5. Compiler comparison (3):..
5.1 C Language..
5.2 BASIC..
5.3 ML1 (By: Steve Nichols)..
6. Single "Keyword" file..
7. Separate Indexes for (6): "Phone List", "Address List", "Headline List", "Key word List", "File Description List", & "File List"..
..
Tim promised to send Bill a copy of the MicroEMACS source and object code for the QL..
Bill provided Tim with the following SLIX files:..
flp2 WM90528B
354/1440 sectors

WM90528B_dir	230
WM90528B_ddr	301
WM90528B_plx	301
WM90528B_alx	301
WM90528B_hlx	301
WM90528B_klx	301
boot	2408
???_bin	2118
??????_bin	9214
???_bin	16512
??????_pcd	1292
??????_exec	37570
??????_buff	180
QLMenua_bas	34854
????????35	52422
????????36	52400
printer_dat	65
msdscpy	55728
srch5_exe	19430
sres4b_exe	21738
printer_bkp	93
scf89c32_doc	2048
lf64_doc	2048
sf64_doc	2048
scf90c32_doc	2309
sc9006_doc	20354
sl90_doc	24670
Fn90611a_doc	44352
sk90_doc	2048
QLMenu_bas	31772
regex_doc	28595
fhsnet_doc	44609
si90612a_doc	4096

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9..
Sm900609_TSCM_SIG/TCW_?
Meeting..
Topic: Windows 3.0;; By: Carl Linden..
...

8..
Sc900608_CS_N..
Note to:..
Computer Shopper User Group Listings..
c/o FOG..
--- User Groups listing..
--- P.O.Box 3474..
--- Daly City;; CA_94015-0474..
..
Thanks for listing:..
313- Timex Sinclair Silicon Valley (GUTS/SV) in your User Group listings. It has resulted in many people finding sources of support for their computers..
..
To enable us to help a larger group of people please change the listing to:..

Supporting "Open Operating System=". 313- Timex Sinclair Cambridge Minix Silicon Valley Users (SVTSCM/SV), c/o Bill Miller. 6675 Clifford Dr. Cupertino. CA 95014- 4530. 408-253-3175..

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Sx900607_Hradesky_AC..
Time(3):_.1652-.1757, .1306-.1343, & .1208-.1333..
Calls from: Andy Hradesky_408-270-9730..
Andy reports he has FOR SALE:..
TS1000 with 16k 128K memory cartridge, Parallel Cable, Serial cable, all docs.. 1 issue Pipeline, & warrantee card. Cost: $900; Sell: $400..
Andy also reports that Jack Dohany needs a "real good" CP/M disassembler; assembler to patch the TS2068 FDD Disk System CP/M so that it can use other disk drives besides the Hitachi 3in drives..
We came up with possible contacts (8):..
1. Bill Harmer and his list of CP/M sources (Sx900605)..
2. Michael Bichal_408-370-8963 (SEEBBS, Sx900605)..
3. Pat Morrissey_408-847-3802..
4. Bob Orrfelt_415-369-8136..
5. Ed Grey..
6. Steve Nicholas_MFSBBS (2):..
6.1 Local CP/M BBSs..
6.2 Usenet..
7. Piscopo, David Thomson_408-274-8090, from: June 1990 Computer Shopper..
8. S 100 User's Group (2):..
8.1 Dick Delp_408-245-3137..
8.2 Donn Fisher_408-946-5075..

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Sx900608_PC_UNIX_SIG_23 Meeting..
Topic: Protecting Intellectual Property;; by: Joe Chan..
Background:..
Patent Number: 4,533,910..
Date of Patent: Aug. 6, 1985.. "Graphics Display System With Strusports of Arbitrary Location And Content"..
Passout: "Intellectual Property: Trade Secret; Patent, Copyright, Trademark, & Mask Work;; 10pages..
Ed Thelen 408-973 1156 reports he is working on running Minix on his 386. He purchased Minix 1.5 a few weeks ago and called Andrew Tanenbaum 'VOICE' in the Netherlands to find out how to get it to run on the 386. He also has an XT (8088) to contact SVCS1 using MSDOS communications programs till he gets UUCP running under Minix..
Ed signed up for an SVCS1 account at the meeting tonight..
We told Ed to contact Mark Wahl on SVCS1 for Minix upgrades and information sharing..

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5..
Sx900605_Sn905t1_12 TS Bulletin..
1. TS Bulletin. "The Newsletter for Low Cost Home Computing: Orphans" ("Classic Computers"?), Issue #1-90, May 1990, 8pages..
2. TS Bulletin, News Supplement (2):..
2.1 Issue #85-90, May 1990, 2pages..
2.2 Issue #84-90, April 1990, 2pages..
c/o Bill Harmer_Tel.:_..
--- Editor and Amateur Publisher..
--- 97 Ruskin Street..
--- Ottawa;; Ontario_K1Y_4B3..
--- CANADA..
Ref.: Sx891211..
..
Topics (8):..
1. Files Off The Bulletin Boards (B.B.S.)..
2. Text Compression - Programming Page Feature..
3. Hardware: Changing the Microprocessor in your Computer?..
4. CP/M, The Operating System Alternative To MS DOS..
5. Hardware Theory: The Humble Transistor..
6. Repairing Cassette Recorders (For Orphan Computer Owners)..
7. Comparing Compilers (and Interpreters)..
8. Data Compression: Saving Memory With ARC, ZIP or SQ..
..
TS Contacts not previously in Sinclink Data Base (14):..
1. Time Sesions Magazine BBS, 300/8/1/N. Oregon, TDMBBS 503-824-2658..
2. ZBBBBS 703-968-9438..
3. Sinclair Echo East BBS, New Jersey, SEEBBS 201-956-7703..
4. Chicago TS HG BBS, HHBBS 312-576-7072..
5. CADZ, TS2068 PCB/ Schematic program from:..
A: Zank Electronics, IE_Tel.:_..
-- 1419 Ferris..
-- Waxahachie;; TX_75165..
6. CP/M Software Sources (7):..
6.1 Fog..
6.2 WLG_317-398-0370..
A: WLG..
-- P.O.Box 81..
-- Shelbyville;; IN_46176..
6.3 A: PD User Group;; Box 1442;; Orangepark;; FL_32067..
6.4 A: Ottawa Home Computing Club;; P.O.Box 4164, Station C;; Ottawa;; Ont._K1Y-4P3;; CANADA..
6.5 A: Computer Parts Galore, CPG_acd-928-2161;; 316 College St.;; Toronto;; Ont._pos-tcd;; CANADA..
6.6 American Micro Connection..
6.7 Jack Dohany..
7. UNIX clone OS: "Coherent", $100, from: Mark Williams Co.;; MWC_800-627-5967..
8. Watcom C, $400-$800, from: A: Univ. of Waterloo;; 415 Phillip St.;; Waterloo;; Ont._N2L-3X2;; CANADA..
9. "Z-88 Magic" book by: Vic Gerhardi Tel.:_..
10. A: TS2068 Sinclair Desktop Publishing Journal, SDPJ Tel.:_..
c/o Mike Felerski Tel.:_..
--- Editor & Publisher..
--- 1284 Brushwood Ave. ..
11. TS2068 LKDOS shell: "AOSDOS" from:..
A: Bob Swoger_Tel.:_, c/o Nite-Time News;; 613 Parkside Circle;; Streamwood;; IL_60107..
12. Wanted to buy: TS2068/ QL/ Z88 now or used hardware or software by:..
A: Eliad Wannum_Tel.:_..
-- P.O.B.1095..
-- Peru;; IN 46970..
13. Wanted: BBS for TS1000? Micro-BBS-1 & Tiny board sought by:..
A: S. Blackford_Tel.:_..
- RR1, Box 552..
-- Mercer;; MO_64661..
14. Wanted: Partial Pascal, Tiny C for TS1000/ TS2068 by: Bill Harmer..

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Bill:..
Good to hear from you again!..
Was our last contact really 891211?..
Could you read and unzip the Sinclair Echo files we sent you?..
We haven't forgotten the disk we received from you on 891011. We are working on an indexing program to index all the disks in the SLIX library, but it is going rather slowly. Hope you can send us your latest newsletters on disk sometime so we can add them to our data base..
We are intrigued by your "Typeset using cold composition on a solar display, digitally powered machine by UNDERWOOD, mfg. circa 1945" line..
We are confused about why you do your newsletter on a typewriter. We suspect it is because you do not have a printer for your Tandy (MSDOS) computer. Is that the reason?..
For a C compiler for the TS2068, contact Jack Dohany. We seem to remember he had one at one time..
As you may be able to tell, we are working on a project to allow you to network your MC-10 and ZX81 to your MSDOS machine so that you can use your MSDOS disk drives to store MC-10 and ZX81 files. We also have an MC-10..
Perhaps you would like to help with our Sinclair (and "Classic Computer" (Orphan?)) Networking Project. We suspect it will be a very valuable resource for Sinclair users if we can get it to work..
Perhaps you could help with the MC-10 Communications Program since the MC-10 already has a serial port. We have a fair amount of information on the MC-10 which we have loaned to Michael Furman since he has a Tandy Color Computer in addition to his TS1000(s) and Jupiter Ace..

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Sx900605_Sn905t4_24 SincLink..

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Letter from:..
A: Joseph P. Rampolla_Tel.:_..
2638 E. Monument St. ..
Baltimore;; MD_21205..
..
"June 2, 1990..
Dear Mr. Miller,..
I am happy to learn that there are some people out there who know about T/S computers. I desperately need help with some technical matters. I will be most appreciative if you or someone with your group can help me with the answers..
..
I have a T/S 1000 compatible (not exactly the same as the T/S's), and I use a 32k RAM pack and the T/S 2040 printer. I have never found or used any pre-recorded software to date, only my own which I write in BASIC. The short and poorly written manual that accompanied my computer says that I can only load software written in BASIC and Assembly language. It mentions briefly that the use of memory and machine code subroutines are different from the T/S 1000, and therfore I cannot load variables from these pre-recorded tapes either. I do load and save my own programs, with variables, with no difficulty. I assume that I cannot use software written in machine language..
..
My computer is a PC8300 by Power 3000, with a Z80A microprocessor and a 2k RAM, 8k ROM, with a joystick port mic and ear port, both a monitor and t.v. port, the one card edge bus, speaker for SOUND/MUSIC, and color graphics (PAPER, INK, BORDER), however I don't have the color pack. It has rubber keys, not a membrane keyboard, and it has 3 graphic figures, one like packman, and two spacecraft, and the assortment of blocks, triangles, etc., similar to the T/S..
..
I need help with the following:..
1.) What type of connector do I use to drive to drive a standard printer? If I can drive a printer, other than the T/S 2040 thermal that I use presently, would I use the same commands? I use a 32k RAM pack as an add-on to the printer connector, with which I am sure you are familar, and I will still need to accomodate the RAM pack. I believe that such an interface was once available. If it is now longer around, could such a device be custom made at a reasonable price? Canthe cable to the termal printer be cut and spliced on to the appropriate connector?..
..
2.) Are there any software manufactures still out there? Could you put me in touch with suppliers? I am O.K. with my

limited by my experience. I learned programing in BASIC-Plus in 1977, and I dabble with animated graphics. Unfortunately, I have no real experience with computer electronics, and my attempts with machine language were fruitless because I couldn't find a manual for my particular machine code (it's different from the T/S's)..
..
3.) Can some kind of a mechanical keyboard be hooked up via the 9 pin joystick port (I use an Atari joystick)? I could use a smooth operating mechanical keyboard..
..
Your help will be most appreciated. I'll be happy to share with your group anything I can offer. Enclosed please find a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Many thanks for your time and effort..
..
Sincerely,..
..
Joseph P. Rampolla..
..
P.S. Do you know of a reasonably priced source for the thermal paper for the T/S 2040 printer? Thanks!"..
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Joseph:..
Good to hear from you and thanks for the SASE! How did you learn about us?..
For information on the PC8300 try (2):..
1. Don Lambert_319-364-4330..
2. Fred Nachbaur_Tel.:_, c/o ZX-Appeal, Gerd Breunung_604-931-5509..
For TS1000 software try: Charles Ridgway_915-942-7564..
For TS2040 paper try Radio Shack P/N 26-1332 thermal paper for the TP-10..
Hope this helps. If these contacts don't work out, contact us again. We may find more information later..
Please keep us informed about your PC8300 projects. Do you have any PC8300 programs we could publish in SincLink?..
Hope to hear from you again soon..
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Sc900602_Macia_OL..
Letter from: Oscar E. Macia_718-714-7234..
Ref.: Sc900523..
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"Brooklyn, Tues. 29th 1990..
Dear Bill:..
Thanks for your reply, now I am listening to sound of speach mode (I'll see them in the Nitzer EBB Giants Stadium, the Sat. 16, June 1), and thinking the way to get in touch with all magazines for TS line in the U.S.A..
Maybe (I hope so) someone could be interested in my work (sale of programs for Timex Sinclair, ZX power, Software likeway (remember that I have already over 3,500 or 4,000 programs 1990) and here I've near 300 progs (Utilities & games) and the rest I'll receive from Argentina when I want. Please if you know someone who could be interested in my Soft Power (as I call it) Timex & Sinclair Computers, let me know..
Is hard to be here and be alien; I was stollen and I don't know much people here who can help me..
My plans are the following:..
1. Work and earn money as much as I was stollen..
2. See the Timex market in U.S.A. and if it's possible to bring Soft Hard that in Argentina is in development (now I've a plus D System for the T.s., is spectrum compatible and it has a snapshot to save a backup into disc (load 48K in 4 seconds) all in Argentina) Here Ive a Spectrum Emulator Cartridge ready to sell (Some for the Software)..
3. After 4 to 6 months return to my country and if it was a good experience not expensive, return to the U.S.A. again ASAP..
Now Bill, I'll need your help, please try to do your best:..
1. Addresses of all Timex Sinclair magazines in U.S.A. that you think exisits..
2. Addresswes of all House that sells TS products..
3. Where can I get System M.S.X.computer (any more)..
4. What do you think I can do with all my Software that I've available or that I can bring from my country? Do you know someone interested (owners or Shoppers)?..
* Now my Timex is working OK (I got an AC-DC power for it in Manhatten), so I can load and save progs. ..
Thanks..
Best wishes..
O E Macia..
The Condor..
PS: Get in touch. Bye"..
..
Oscar:..
Good to hear from you! Sorry to hear you were robbed. Hope it doesn't spoil your trip to the U.S. ..
For current TS User Groups, Magazines, and dealers, look in this file and the attached SincLink for April May 1990. We are working to create a file which will have the names, telephone numbers, and addresses of ALL SincLink contacts but it isn't ready yet..
For TS User Groups we haven't heard from for a while, but may still be actve, try this list from the December 1989 Computer Shopper (5):..
1. NEF TSUG c/o John Kuhn_904-384-8054..
2. TSARUG c/o Alex Burr_505-522-2528..
3. Sincus c/o Paul Hill_607-798-7219..
4.FWTSUG c/o David Baluch_817-731-6215..
Willing_206-567-4118..
For info on MSX computers try:..
A: Spectravideo and MSX User's Group (SMUG), SMSXUG_514-453-0477..
c/o Frances Fontaine_Tel.:_..
--- 20-159 Ave, N.D. ..
--- Ile Perrot;; P.Q._J7V-5V6..
--- CANADA..
From: June 1990 Computer Shopper..
For help in distributing your software, hopefully some of our other readers will contact you about it. Can you support any disk formats other than MSX? We are trying to standardize on MSDOS. Can you transfer your TS2068 (and Spectrum) software to MSDOS disk?..
Keep us informed of your progress. Hope to hear from you again soon..
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Sm900602.1000_TSCU_SIG/TCW_8? Meeting..
Topic (2):..
1. From: Mark Wahl:..
"GNU GENERAL PUBLIC LICENSE..
Version 1, February 1989"..
2. Clark Murphy_408-262-9334 has found a source of low cost scrap electronic enclosures (useful for prototypes and models)..
The enclosures are 2 piece sheet steel. One piece forms the front, back, and bottom. The second piece forms the sides and top. The approximate size is: 15in. wide, 14.25in. deep, and 4.25in. High. The front has an opening 8.25in. x 1.75in., and holes that appear to be for PC Board Guides on 0.800in. centers (4sets of 2= 8total). The back has openings for (3):..
1. A Fan..
2. Miscellaneous square openings that may be suitable for power switches and connectors..
3. A 0.625in. Dia. opening marked "KEYBOARD"..
4. Miscellaneous "D-Connector" openings marked: "ETHERNET", "MONITOR", "SERIAL", & "PARALLEL"..
5. (4) recessed openings which appear to be for 8088 or 80286 clone cards..
We got 2 samples for $2each. Clark reports the source has about 4,000 available for a limited time..
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